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WEATHER

WISCONSIN: Generally fair in southwest, mostly cloudy and unsettled in east and north portions tonight and Tuesday, possibly snow in extreme northwest; continued cold.

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Great Britain, France, Belgium Said to Have Entered Military Pact

Projected Accord Signalled As New Alliance for Western European Powers

SOVIET DISCLAIMS AID

In Geneva the League of Nations Considers Means of Shunting Spanish Appeal

(By The Associated Press)

France, Great Britain and Belgium have formed what virtually amounts to a three power military accord, informed sources in Paris said today, interpreting the projected pact as signaling a new western European alliance.

French Foreign Minister Yvon Delbos will announce the rapprochment Friday, these sources said, returning Britain's assurance of last week that the powers will come to each other's aid to repel unprovoked aggression.

Similar guarantees to those extended to Belgium by British Foreign Minister Anthony Eden, authoritative sources said, will mark the French announcement, linking the three states.

League of Nations circles expressed fears that Spain's appeal to the council against the Fascist central European powers of Germany and Italy would further embroil the international situation.

Disclaims Need

Russia disclaimed any need of foreign aid.

President Molotoff of the Soviet council of commissars said Russia relies on "nobody but ourselves and our own strength."

The president's speech followed an announcement that Russia's strength in the air would soon reach at least 7,000 airplanes and more than 100,000 pilots.

In Geneva, where League of Nations circles were considering means of shunting the Spanish appeal from the council, the total known trade in arms for 1935 was disclosed to be $43,600,000.

The figures, highest since 1929, were believed to show only a percentage of the world-wide traffic in munitions. The league announcement warned it would be rash to accept its figures as complete.

France, worried by an international situation aggravated by the leftist-rightist civil war in Spain, faced an internal problem, brought about by the same conflict, that may result in the fall of Premier Leon Blum's cabinet.

Continued Communist attacks against the government brought a crisis within the ruling popular front over support for the Madrid government. Blum has insisted on neutrality.

In the country about Madrid, where the world struggle between Fascism and Socialism-Communism is being waged in miniature on the field of battle, a lull developed in the military situation.

Fascist bombers loosed their deadly loads in two raids over the environs of the city but failed to attack the heart of the capital.

Eden Denies Treaty

London, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Foreign Minister Anthony Eden dampened French hopes of a tri-power military accord between Great Britain, France and Belgium today.

"His majesty's government," the youthful foreign minister told the house of commons, "has explicitly deprecated any tendency to divide the world into conflicting camps.

"Our policy continues to be to promote friendly relations between all nations."

(Reports from Paris today said that Foreign Minister Yvon Delbos would announce an agreement Friday that was virtually a tripartite military accord between Britain, France and Belgium.)

Laborite members of parliament enjoyed a field day heckling Eden about the Spanish situation.

He parried question after question until Miss Ellen Wilkinson hurled her almost daily barb, asking:

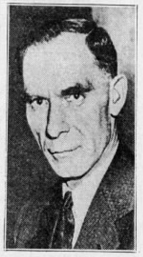
"Does he not think the time has arrived when it would be desirable to evacuate all Spaniards and leave the other countries to fight it out?"

Laughter rocked the benches, but Eden only stared.

CRUISER LAUNCHED

Brooklyn, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Cheered by a crowd of 15,000, the new $15,000,000 United States navy cruiser Brooklyn was launched today at the Brooklyn navy yard.

Gets "G" Man Post



Charles Mazey (above), in charge of the United States secret service office at Indianapolis for 10 years, has been transferred to St. Paul where he will direct operations in several northwest states. (Associated Press Photo).

Mediators Persist In Peace Efforts In Marine Strike

Strikes on Eastern and Gulf Coasts Near Crisis; Food Supply Ships Sail

San Francisco, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Federal mediators persisted in seeking strike peace today despite a setback which left the month-long blockade of Pacific ports unbroken except for release of Alaska food ships.

Edward F. McGrady, assistant secretary of labor, said he hoped to bring the coastwise operators of seventy freight vessels back for discussions which ended abruptly Saturday when they demanded that deck officers return to ships under pre-strike conditions.

The coastwise owners previously had reached virtual agreements with all unions except the Masters, Mates and Pilots.

The off-shot strikes of rank-and-file seamen on eastern and gulf coasts and a boycott against American ships by French and Mexican dock workers neared a new crisis in New York. Officials of the International Longshoremen's association there, who have disapproved the insurgent seamen's strike, threatened a boycott of the French liner Champlain when it arrives Wednesday. Striking seamen, in turn, threatened to handle cargo of the ship if longshoremen retaliation developed against the French dock workers' boycott.

The Alaska relief program went forward with announcement the steamer Arctic, chartered by the federal government from the Alaska Packers corporation, will sail from Oakland tomorrow.

The coast guard took over the problem of getting emergency supplies to Hawaii. The new 2,216-ton cutter William J. Duane probably will sail from San Francisco Thursday with food.

Forest Fires in Oregon, Washington Under Control

Portland, Ore., Nov. 30.—(AP)—Fog and cold weather put a damper on forest fires in western Oregon and Washington today, and barring an unexpected resumption of the brisk east wind forest officials indicated the immediate danger was over.

It was estimated that in the past week fires swept over 20,000 acres in the Columbia river area of Washington and 15,000 acres in central Oregon and along the coast—mostly on second growth or cutover land.

All conflagrations were reported under control.

Minnesota's "Shrinking Man" In Comeback; Lost Ten Inches

Minneapolis, Nov. 30.—(AP)—The "shrinking man" is staging a comeback.

Hans Nelson, 52-year-old painter, has lost "that tired feeling" which reduced his height ten inches and his weight fifty pounds during thirteen years.

Since he reported to University of Minnesota hospital authorities a year ago, Nelson has had two relapses. But now he has gained fifteen pounds, can drive an automobile and "putter around the garage."

Victim of ostiamalacia, a disease produced by over-acceleration of the parathyroid gland, Nelson's statute dwindled from five feet ten inches to five feet. His weight dropped from 190 to 140 pounds during the thirteen years he has been afflicted but under dietary treatment he has gained fifteen pounds.

"I have gained fifteen pounds; last summer I drove my car several thousand miles and I can putter around the garage," Nelson said at his home today. "Those wonderful doctors have helped me. Maybe I will be able to work again."

University of Minnesota medical authorities, however, said Nelson is gaining strength, but the shrinkage has not been definitely checked.

They defined ostiamalacia as a softening of bone tissues due to lack of calcium.

Corrective measures in Nelson's case have been dieting and injections of calcium.

Fascist Airplanes Bomb Red Lines in University Sector

Fail to Take Advantage of "Good Bombing Weather" To Attack City's Heart

LEFTISTS MAY ATTACK

Reds May Change From Defense to Offense to End City's Agony of Siege

Madrid, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Insurgent planes raided the capital twice today, bombing government lines in the university section and along the Manzanares river.

The failure to take advantage of "perfect bombing weather" to attack the heart of the city itself puzzled military circles. The government pointed to the maneuver as the latest indication that the back of the insurgent attack on Madrid had been broken.

Socialists jeered the insurgent Commander Francisco Franco, saying:

"A general who hesitates is lost."

Late in the afternoon the insurgents, after considerable firing in Casa de Campo across the Manzanares river, began dropping shells in the center of Madrid while their left flank opened an attack on Humera from Pozuelo de Alarcon.

The first insurgent air raid, shortly after midnight, loosed high explosive bombs around the Paseo de Rosales.

Returning in mid-morning, the bombers eluded a squadron of government pursuit planes and dropped ten projectiles mainly along the university and Casa de Campo entrenchments.

Claim Rebels Afraid

Informed military circles attributed the failure to bomb the city proper to lack of gasoline and the fear of Franco's "mercenary pilots" to risk battle with the government's "now determined aviators."

Informed circles said the government was considering turning the defense into an attack and ending the city's agony of siege.

Slight advances of the international brigade in the university area in the northwestern part of the city and of the militia in the Casa de Campo, coupled with Franco's failure to carry out his alleged threat to bomb the center of Madrid, bolstered the defenders' spirits.

Signs of demoralization spreading through the Fascist ranks, officials said, were evident from the aspect of prisoners recently captured.

Heavy Firing

Heavy government artillery fire was reported from the Asturias sector, on the northern front.

Colonel Miguel Arranda's insurgent general headquarters at Grado, just west of Oviedo, these reports said, was hit during the bombardment.

Strong forces of insurgent shock troops, attempting to break through government lines on the El Escorial road, attacked the suburban village of Pozuelo de Alarcon.

Supported by tanks and planes, insurgent commanders hurled wave after wave of troops against Socialist concentrations in the new battleground seven miles west of the capital.

(Dispatches from the Fascist side said occupation of the village was unofficially reported at headquarters.)

Alicante, Spain, Nov. 30.—(AP)—The civil governor of this Mediterranean coastal city charged today that insurgent seaplanes which bombed Alicante the night of November 28 took on munitions and fuel from a German ship on the high seas.

The governor said one person was killed and seven wounded in the bombardment which caused considerable damage. He reported that many families were fleeing the city.

Five in Auto Spill, Two Critically Hurt On Rudolph Road

Members Town of Kronenwetter Family Suffer Injuries Near Rudolph

Peter Sharkey, 28, and daughter, Donna, town of Kronenwetter, were in a critical condition at St. Michael's hospital in Stevens Point, Mrs. Peter Sharkey and Myron Sharkey of the same town suffered serious injuries and Sylvester Sharkey, 22, town of Knowlton, sustained bruises, as the result of an automobile accident last evening at 6:30 o'clock on a highway one mile west of Rudolph.

Sylvester Sharkey was driving the automobile and was unable to negotiate a sharp turn in the highway. The car turned over several times.

Peter Sharkey suffered three fractures of his spine and an injury to his pelvis. Donna suffered a basal skull fracture. Mrs. Sharkey suffered a triple fracture of the left arm and an injury to her hand. Myron received a fracture of his collar bone, internal injuries and his left shoulder was crushed.

Mrs. Sylvester Sharkey and her three children had accompanied the others to Wood county but had left them for a more extended visit with Mr. Sharkey's mother, Mrs. Frank Sharkey, at Rudolph. They had also visited Mr. and Mrs. Earl Parson, a patient at a Wisconsin Rapids hospital.

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Williams to Resume Class at Vocational School on Tuesday

Board of Vocational Education Grants Permission; Statement is Made

T. Harry Williams, University of Wisconsin extension division history instructor, will resume his classes at the Vocational school tomorrow afternoon, it was announced today in a statement made by the local board of vocational education. His classes are held on Friday mornings, as well as Tuesday afternoons.

Williams was denied permission to meet his classes here by local school authorities following his Armistice day speech at the Senior high school when he made an attack on Abraham Lincoln. Since then, however, Williams has been holding classes at Merrill, Rhinelander and Antigo.

The following statement was issued today by the Wausau Board of Vocational Education:

"The University of Wisconsin through its extension division in a communication addressed to the Board of Vocational Education advises that after having conducted an investigation of the statements attributed to Mr. T. Harry Williams in an Armistice day address at the Wausau Senior high school, 'That to be just and fair to Mr. Williams and to the educational interests involved in his case, they cannot consent to withdraw Mr. Williams from teaching the class conducted by him in Wausau previous to the said public address, nor will the department of history nominate a successor to Mr. Williams.'

"One of the activities given at the Wausau Vocational school is the university freshman program which is offered by the University of Wisconsin through the medium of the university extension division. The authority and control of the extension work is vested in the university. It employs the instructors and the Vocational school furnishes the classroom facilities. Mr. Williams is an employe of the university extension division.

Carry University Credits

"The university freshman classes given at the Vocational school carry regular University of Wisconsin credits. The students in these classes have paid their fees, have carried on their school work satisfactorily to date, and expect that the program will be continued in full so they may earn the credit to which they would be entitled.

"To attain these credits the university prescribes that the instructors of the classes in these courses must be approved and employed by the university extension division.

"The decision of the university reinstates Mr. Williams in meeting his classes as usual."

Conference of Physicians Here Tomorrow to Study Deformities of Children

About fifty physicians from nine counties interested in the prevention and correction of children's deformities will gather at the Hotel Wausau tomorrow for an afternoon and evening meeting conducted by the crippled children's division of the state department of public instruction, with the cooperation of the Wisconsin State Medical society. Dr. Joseph F. Smith will preside.

Among the speakers will be Dr. Herman W. Virks of the University of Wisconsin who will talk on "Fractures of the Elbow in Children," Dr. L. D. Smith, Milwaukee, who will speak on "Acute Osteomyalitis in Children" and on "Prevention of Disabilities in Infantile Paralysis," Dr. James Evans, La Crosse, who will explain the relationship of rheumatic fever and heart disease, and Dr. H. Kent Tenny, University of Wisconsin, whose topics will be "Prevention Through Periodic Observation" and "Early Diagnosis" and "Medical Treatment of Infantile Paralysis."

Dr. S. E. Gavin, Fond du Lac, secretary of the state medical society, will speak on "Legislation in 1937." Mrs. Marguerite Lison Ingram, supervisor of physically disabled children for the state department of public instruction, will open the meeting.

BIBLE TEXT

And Jesus said unto him, Receive thy sight: thy faith hath saved thee.—St. Luke 18:42.

BO-HOO-ELMER SAYS THERE'S NO SANTA CLAUS
21 SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS

Treasury Report on Taxes in 8 States Shows Over-Lapping

From Six Sources U. S. Levied Two Billion While States Got One Billion

REVENUES SHOW RISE

General Sales Taxes in Twenty-five States Increase Over 1930 Period

Washington, Nov. 30.—(AP)—A treasury study of over-lapping taxes disclosed today that while the federal government was raising more than $2,000,000,000 from six sources of revenue last year, the states obtained more than $1,000,000,000 from the same sources.

The report embraced a study of eight state levies, six of which are duplicated by federal imposts. Both state and federal revenues from the six taxes—those on estates, individual incomes, corporate incomes, gasoline, liquor and tobacco—totaled $3,321,300,000 in 1935.

Of this aggregate, it was shown in the report and other treasury statistics, $2,271,400,000 or about two-thirds, went to the federal government and $1,049,900,000 to the states.

Rise in Revenue

Revenue to the states from the entire eight taxes, including those on general sales and motor registrations, was set at $1,654,800,000 last year, compared with $1,262,800,000 in 1930.

In both years, gasoline taxes accounted for a major portion of the revenue with receipts from this source reported at $589,200,000 last year and $470,000,000 in 1930.

General sales taxes, which were in effect in only two states and provided $1,200,000 in 1930, pumped $284,400,000 into the treasuries of twenty-five states last year.

Liquor levies were exacted in only three states in 1930 and returned $200,000. Last year forty-seven states had tapped this revenue source for a total of $166,600,000.

Receipts from estate and inheritance taxes fell off from $183,400,000 in 1930 to $100,800,000 last year, or 45 per cent.

Income Receipts Drop

Individual income tax receipts dropped from $135,100,000 in 1930 to $100,000,000 in 1935, although the number of states imposing these levies increased from fifteen to twenty-eight.

Corporation income revenue declined from $104,900,000 to $56,900,000 while the number of states levying such taxes jumped from sixteen to twenty-eight.

All states exacted motor registration taxes in both 1930 and 1935, and revenues declined from $355,700,000 to $320,500,000 over the five-year period.

The report did not show how changes in tax rates or income declines may have caused the decreases.

First Test Case on Clause of Security Act Heard by Judge

Unemployment Provision of Social Security Act Taken Under Advisement

Boston, Nov. 30.—(AP)—After a brief hearing, Federal Judge George C. Sweeney took under advisement today the first test case of the unemployment insurance provision of the social security act.

The case was brought by George P. Davis of Waltham, who, as a stockholder in the Boston and Maine railroad, sought to prevent payment by the railroad of the unemployment insurance tax.

Judge Sweeney indicated he would announce his decision on or before December 15.

Davis was represented by Attorney Edward F. McClennen, who contended the tax was unconstitutional because it was not an excise tax, was not uniform and was not a tax for the general welfare of the nation. The government, through Charles Syzanski, special assistant to the attorney general, presented an opposite view.

Both sides said an appeal would be taken to the United States circuit court and the United States supreme court in the event of an unfavorable ruling from Judge Sweeney.

Davis also is plaintiff in another action, which will test both the unemployment and old age provisions of the social security act. He seeks to prevent the Edison Electric Illuminating company, in which he is a stockholder, from paying both taxes levied under the act. Briefs must be filed in the second action on or before December 19.

109 American, Filipino Citizens Stay in Madrid

Washington, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Eric C. Wendelin, American charge d'affaires in Spain, reported to the state department from Valencia today that 109 American and Filipino nationals had remained in Madrid despite the closing of the embassy there.

Twenty-eight persons, Wendelin reported, still were living in the embassy building and eighty-one other American nationals were living in other parts of the besieged Spanish capital.

Christmas Buying Greatest in U. S. Since 1929, Roper Says

Two Presidents Have Talk

Pleasantries were exchanged at the dinner table by President Roosevelt (right) and President Getulio Gargas of Brazil, when the American chief executive stopped at Rio de Janeiro en route to Buenos Aires to officiate at the opening of the Inter-American Peace conference. (Associated Press Radiophoto).

Hundreds of Thousands Cheer Arrival of President's Boat

Buenos Aires, Nov. 30.—(AP)—President Roosevelt, acclaimed by hundreds of thousands, reached here early this afternoon for the opening tomorrow night of the 21-nation peace conference which grew out of his initiative.

The cruiser Indianapolis, which carried the president on his 12-day trip from Charleston, S. C., docked amid the cheers of a huge throng on shore and the shrieks of whistles on hundreds of vessels in Buenos Aires harbor.

President Roosevelt disembarked at 1:58 p. m. He was greeted at the pier by President Justo, United States Secretary of State Cordell Hull, Argentine Foreign Minister Carlos Saavedra Lamas, Cardinal Santiago Copello and other notables.

Before Mr. Roosevelt left the Indianapolis, the cruiser's band played the Argentine anthem and then the "Star Spangled Banner," in which the Argentine navy band ashore joined.

The visiting United States president descended the gangplank holding the arm of his son, James.

President Roosevelt got into a car at the foot of the gangplank after greeting President Justo, to whom he was introduced by United States Ambassador Alexander W. Weddell.

Then the two executives drove off together along the 50-block route to the United States embassy, Mr. Roosevelt's residence during his stay.

President Roosevelt is to make the opening address when the inter-American peace parley, proposed by him last winter, gets under way at 6 p. m. tomorrow.

The weather was hot and hazy—a typical day of early South American summer.

The presidential party was greeted off Montevideo, Uruguay, yesterday, by the Argentine naval escort. Newspapermen and secret service agents aboard the cruiser Chester were transferred to the United States destroyer Phelps for the slow journey up the twisting Estuary. The Chester remained off Montevideo to refuel.

Delegates in the capital, discussing pre-conference proposals, showed interest in one major question: The evolution of a defensive pan-American policy designed to keep nations of the western hemisphere free from foreign entanglements in Europe and the far east.

They declared President Roosevelt's speech at Rio de Janeiro last week sounded a keynote for stimulated cooperation between the American nations both in neutrality and trade problems.

Eight Argentine warships and a river flotilla escorted the Indianapolis up the Rio Plata to the quay, while Argentine planes circled and dipped overhead.

Near the dock—along which a red carpet an eighth of a mile long had been laid—were the six-foot-tall horse grenadiers of Argentina's liberator, General Jose De San Martin.

The route of the 11-car motorcade to the embassy was lined with enthusiastic Argentines, who scurried to their places when the Indianapolis was sighted, ahead of schedule, coming up the muddy Rio Plata.

Mounted and foot policemen restrained the crowd in the Plaza Britanica, near the dock.

Within a few hundred yards of the United States embassy, Mr. Roosevelt's car swung around a monument to the Spanish colonizers of Argentina.

Then the car turned into the embassy, where ten rooms have been set aside for President Roosevelt and his aides.

Cleaners' Code for State is Upheld in Hearing at Madison

Circuit Judge Alvin C. Reis Makes Decision; Code Injunction Denied

Madison, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Circuit Judge Alvin C. Reis upheld the state code for the cleaning and dyeing industry today in a decision asserting that it is neither the duty nor the right of the courts to pass judgment upon the wisdom of code requirements.

Judge Reis denied Famous Cleaners and Dyers, of Madison, an injunction to vacate the code.

He said that the prohibition against selling "below reasonable cost" was unquestionably price-fixing, but that the state's aim is to reduce unfair competition. In this respect, Judge Reis held, the code is consistent with the general criteria of "public welfare" laid down by the Wisconsin supreme court.

"We must confess ourselves to be in a quandary over several recent decisions in this general domain," Judge Reis said. "The United States supreme court, in a 5 to 4 decision, apparently denies the right of a state to hamper the freedom of contract in regard to fixing minimum wages for women . . .

"A four to three majority of the supreme court of Wisconsin, however, seems to see the way still open in this state for setting of wage levels under the unfair competition sections of the state codes. A minority vigorously denies this and declares that the supreme court at Washington has closed the matter under the fourteenth amendment. . . .

"Within the last few days, we are told, a three-judge statutory federal court in Milwaukee has indicated that it will enjoin the exact cleaning and dyeing code now before us for consideration. However, the federal injunction at this stage is interlocutory only, not a final determination on the merits."

Unprecedented Distribution Of Corporation Funds is Stimulating Factor

15 PER CENT GREATER

Reports From Nation's Trade Centers Analyzed; No Longer 'Penny Pinching'

Washington, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Secretary Roper said today that reports to the commerce department from all sections "clearly show that people are buying this Christmas more expensive types of gifts than for any season since 1929."

Roper also said "the unprecedented distribution of corporation funds through bonuses and extra dividends is a most stimulating factor" in the Christmas buying surge.

"Progress reports" on Christmas business, the secretary said, support previous predictions that department store sales this season "will be at least 15 per cent greater than in 1935 and will closely approach the volume attained in the 1929 season."

"Our reports give evidence of the fact that people throughout the country are in a much more prosperous condition now than has been the case for the last seven years," he continued.

General Uptrend

"The general uptrend of business, more widespread employment and better prices obtained by farmers, have been major factors in stimulating this holiday trade to the highest levels in several years."

Analyzing reports from trade centers, a commerce department summary said "there have been very definite indications in the last few weeks that New Yorkers are no longer 'penny pinching' and that money in increasing amounts is being spent on goods other than necessities."

The "unexpected money" pumped out in extra dividends in New York, it was said, "is finding its way into purchases of fur coats, jewelry, furniture and automobiles."

In Chicago, the summary continued, trade volume this Christmas will top 1935 by 12 per cent but increases in some luxury lines will reach 50 per cent. Reports on "luxury buying" from other cities:

Cars as Gifts

Denver.—Jewelry, furs and other "de luxe" merchandise expected to top last year by 10 per cent; automobiles will be bought in greater volume for gifts.

Atlanta.—Estimated holiday transactions average 25 per cent over last year "with all lines of luxury goods selling in much greater volume than in recent years."

Boston.—Luxuries make "excellent gains" as general rise of 15 per cent over last year is seen in holiday business.

Washington.—Higher priced articles in greater demand than last year.

Detroit.—Dividend and bonus payments bring "greater demand for quality merchandise" as 15 per cent climb in retail trade is predicted.

LATE WIRE FLASHES

$3,000,000 SUIT

Chicago, Nov. 30.—(AP)—The Utilities Power and Light corporation, multi-million dollar holding concern which Harley L. Clarke headed until a month ago, filed suit against Clarke today, charging he bilked the company of more than $3,000,000.

BANKER ACCUSED

Rutland, Vt., Nov. 30.—(AP)—State's Attorney Asa S. Bloomer issued a warrant today against Governor Charles M. Smith, president of the Marble Savings bank, charging him with concealing thefts. The governor was released on $6,000 bail without being arraigned.

SIX REPORTED KILLED

York, Pa., Nov. 30.—(AP)—Six men and boys were reported killed and another seriously injured in an explosion today in a tunnel at the Funkhouser company mill, near Delta. First reports listed the dead as Lee Jones, 17 or 18; Roy Ayges, Luther Williams, a boy named Beaver and two brothers named Lynn. The explosion was reported to have been caused by dynamite in the tunnel.

Slayer of Brother Confesses After 35 Years of Freedom

Belleville, Ill., Nov. 30.—(AP)—A warrant charging Charles Koehr, alias Korh, 64-year-old Chicagoan, with murdering his brother, Henry, in Belleville thirty-five years ago, was issued today by Justice of the Peace Louis E. Wangelin on application of State's Attorney Louis P. Zerweck.

Chicago, Nov. 30.—(AP)—The wheels of the law turned today—after thirty-five years—to grind out justice for Chahles Kohr, 64 year old confessed slayer of his young brother in 1901.

Police Chief Thomas Lonie at Belleville, thumbing through yellowed reports of the St. Clair county coroner's office, found recorded there as an "accidental drowning" the death of "Henry J. Koehr, 15."

Chief Lonie said he would ask today for a murder warrant against the gray-haired man.

Said State's Attorney L. P. Zerweck of St. Clair county:

"In this state it takes more than a confession of murder to convict. We will have to prove the cause of death, or determine if it was by other than natural means."

Kohr walked into the central police station last Saturday night.

"All these years my conscience has troubled me," said Kohr. "And now I want to tell it all. I killed my brother.

"Henry was 15 years old. He had gotten a job in a saloon in Belleville and I didn't want him to work in a saloon. One morning in April of 1901 I was on my way to work when I saw Henry scrubbing the floor of the saloon. We quarreled. Henry was large for his age and when he struck at me I was frightened. I picked up a stick and struck him on the head. He fell unconscious."

Kohr related he dragged the body to a nearby cistern and threw it in. After ten months Henry's body was found.

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